### **CHAPTER 5B. REGULATORY SIGNS**

### **Section 5B.01 Introduction**

Support:

- of The purpose of a regulatory sign is to inform highway users of traffic laws or regulations, and to indicate the applicability of legal requirements that would not otherwise be apparent.
- of The provisions for regulatory signs are contained in Chapter 2B and in other Sections of this Manual. Provisions for regulatory signs that are specific to low-volume roads are contained in this Chapter.

# Section 5B.02 STOP and YIELD Signs (R1-1 and R1-2)

Guidance:

- of STOP (R1-1) and YIELD (R1-2) signs (see Figure 5B-1) should be considered for use on low-volume roads where engineering judgment or study, consistent with the provisions of Sections 2B.04 to 2B.10, indicates that either of the following conditions applies:
  - A. An intersection of a less-important road with a main road where application of the normal right-of-way rule might not be readily apparent.
  - B. An intersection that has restricted sight distance for the prevailing vehicle speeds.

### Section 5B.03 Speed Limit Signs (R2 Series)

#### **Standard:**

- of If used, Speed Limit (R2 series) signs (see Figure 5B-1) shall display the speed limit established by law, ordinance, regulation, or as adopted by the authorized agency following an engineering study. The displayed speed limits shall be in multiples of 5 mph.
- 02 Speed limits shall be established in accordance with Section 2B.13. Option:
- 03 Speed limit signs may be used on low-volume roads that carry traffic from, onto, or adjacent to higher-volume roads that have posted speed limits.

# Section 5B.04 <u>Traffic Movement and Prohibition Signs (R3, R4, R5, R6, R9, R10, R11, R12, R13, and R14 Series)</u>

Support:

of The regulatory signs (see Figure 5B-1) in these series inform road users of required, permitted, or prohibited traffic movements involving turn, alignment, exclusion, and pedestrians.

### Standard:

02 If used, signs for traffic prohibitions or restrictions shall be placed in advance of the prohibition or restriction so that traffic can use an alternate route or turn around.

Guidance:

03 Signs should be used on low-volume roads to indicate traffic prohibitions and restrictions such as road closures and weight restrictions.

Option:

<sup>04</sup> Signs for traffic prohibitions or restrictions may be used on a low-volume road near and at the intersections or the connections with a higher class of road, and where the regulatory message is essential for transition from the low-volume road to the higher-class facility or vice versa.

### Section 5B.05 Parking Signs (R8 Series)

Option:

of Parking signs (see Figure 5B-2) may be installed selectively on low-volume roads with due consideration of enforcement.

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# Section 5B.06 Other Regulatory Signs

# **Standard:**

 $_{01}$  Other regulatory signs used on low-volume roads that are not discussed in Part 5 shall comply with the provisions contained in other Parts of this Manual.

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Figure 5B-1. Regulatory Signs on Low-Volume Roads

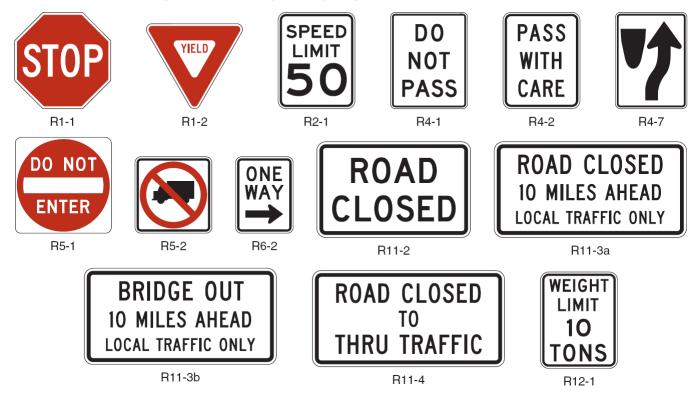


Figure 5B-2. Parking Signs and Plaques on Low-Volume Roads

